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Missoum Moumene et al.

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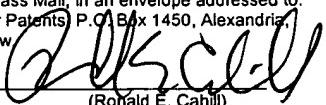
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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one (1) month extension of time to and including October 31, 2005 (since the due date of October 29, 2005 falls on a weekend) to respond to the Office Action mailed June 29, 2005.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

Our check in the amount of \$120.00 covering the large entity fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) and 1.16(f) is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in
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the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 141449, under Order No. 101896-175.

Dated: October 31, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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